

MINUTES

of the

One Hundred and Twenty-First
Annual Session

of the

Elk River Association of Primitive
Baptists

Held at the

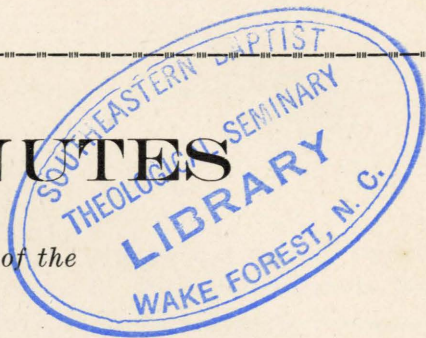
Mount Moriah Church

LINCOLN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

SEPT. 7, 8, and 9, 1928

Moderator, Elder J. G. Woodfin, South Pittsburg, Tenn.

Clerk, C. L. Stone Fayetteville, Tenn.



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Of the One Hundred and Twenty-First Annual Session of the Elk River Association of Primitive Baptists held with the Church, Mt. Moriah, in Lincoln County, Tennessee, September 7th, 8th, and 9th, 1928.

1. Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. E. Stewart.
2. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
3. The Association was organized by electing Elder J. G. Woodfin, Moderator, and C. L. Stone, Clerk.
4. The names of the churches were called and the messengers names enrolled. (See table).
5. On motion and second Brethren of our faith and order were invited to seats with us.
6. Appointed committees as follows:
 - (a) ON PREACHING: Bros. Sam Ashby, Geo. Schoffner and C. L. Stone.
 - (b) TO RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS: Bros. W. J. Quick and W. J. Simmons.
 - (c) TO SOLICIT FUNDS FOR EXPENSE OF THE ASSOCIATION: Bros. W. S. Flemming and J. R. Bramlett.
7. On motion to have four hundred copies of these minutes printed and mailed to the different churches of the Association.
8. On motion appointed the next session of this Association to be held with Flat Creek Church in Bedford County, Tennessee, embracing Friday, Saturday and Second Sunday in September 1929.
9. Appointed Elder W. D. Bostick and (Elder Allen Fanning alternate) to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Elder J. G. Woodfin, Moderator.

Elder C. L. Stone, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning—J. E. Stewart and W. C. Kicklighter.

Friday Afternoon—Elder J. T. McArthur

Saturday Morning—Elder A. J. Willis and W. C. Kicklighter.

Saturday Afternoon—Elder W. E. Brush.

Sunday Morning—Elder A. J. Willis and W. E. Brush.

VISITING MINISTERS

Elder J. T. McArthur ----- Cordele, Ga.
 Elder W. C. Kicklighter ----- Ocilla, Ga.
 Elder W. E. Brush ----- Nashville, Tenn.
 Elder A. J. Willis ----- Petersburg, Ind.

NOTE: We had good attendance and fine weather throughout the meeting. Our visiting preachers came preaching the sweet gospel of Peace to the comfort of many who heard them.

A rising vote of thanks was given by the visitors for the kind hospitality to the church and the vicinity, for the kindness accorded to them while in their midst.

MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Elder T. W. Mitchel, (Resident Pastor) ----- Fayetteville, Tenn.
 Elder W. D. Bostick ----- Winchester, Tenn.
 Elder W. L. Taylor ----- Vine Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Elder J. G. Woodfin ----- South Pittsburg, Tenn.
 Elder C. G. Birom ----- Estell Springs, Tenn.
 Elder J. E. Stewart ----- Huntsville, Ala.
 Elder A. N. Towery ----- Huntsville Ala.
 Elder Allie Fanning ----- Huntsville, Ala.
 Licentiate, W. R. Chilton ----- Nashville, Tenn.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God and that there is a Trinity of persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and there are not three Gods, but only one.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only true rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the fall of Adam and by his transgressions all his posterity fell and were made sinners. We believe in the corruption of human nature and in the impotency of man to recover himself by his own free will and ability.
4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, and good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification, and are evidences of our gracious state.
5. We believe that the saints will persevere in grace and that none of them will be finally lost.
6. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead and a general and universal judgment and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
7. We believe that the visible church of Christ is a congregation

of faithful men and women who have given themselves to the Lord, and have obtained fellowship with each other and have agreed to keep up Godly discipline according to the rules of the Gospel.

8. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church, and the government is with the body.

9. We believe the water baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel, and to be continued until His second coming.

10. We believe that true believers are the only fit subjects for baptism and immersion is the only Gospel mode.

11. We believe that none but regularly baptized persons have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

12. We believe that the Lord's Day ought to be observed and set apart for the worship of God and that no work or worldly business should be transacted thereon—works of piety and mercy necessarily excepted.

Churches, Pastors and Clerks

CHURCHES AND PASTORS:

CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES:

Eik River, A. N. Towery -----	J. R. Bramlet, Hillsboro, Tenn. ---
Arbor, W. D. Bostick -----	M. G. Smith, Mulberry, Tenn. ---
Flat Creek, T. W. Mitchell -----	E. L. Philpot, Shelbyville, Tenn. ---
New Hope, J. G. Woodfin -----	J. A. Chilton, Wartrace, Tenn. ---
Union, J. G. Woodfin -----	J. G. Woodfin, S. Pittsburg, Tenn. ---
Buckeye, T. W. Mitchell -----	Chas. Johnson, Fayetteville, Tenn. ---
Concord, T. W. Michell -----	C. L. Stone, Fayetteville, Tenn. ---
Mt. Moriah, T. W. Mitchell -----	J. D. Cunningham, Mulberry, Tenn. ---
Mt. Olivet, T. W. Mitchell -----	J. A. Greene, Petersburg, Tenn. ---
Shiloh, A. N. Towery -----	W. J. Simmons, Kelso, Tenn. ---
Pleasant Grove, A. N. Towery -----	Howard Fanning, Huntsville, Ala. ---
Grace Chapel, J. E. Stewart -----	Rebecca Stewart, Huntsville, Ala. ---



MEMORIAL

In memory of those departed, since we last met. A number of our beloved Brethren and Sisters, and friends, have been called from among us, by death. And these all died in faith, confessing that they were pilgrims and strangers in the earth and they that say such things, declare plainly that they seek a country.

And whereas it was GOD'S will that they should be removed from among us in the earth. Be it resolved that we the Elk River Association, now in session, do hereby give an expression of our great appreciation of their lives among us, and our loss sustained by reason of their death, and further expressing our deepest sympathy for relatives, and near friends, who feel the loss most keenly—and we do most Solemnly and sincerely invoke God's rich blessings, that He may somehow abundantly fill the vacancy, thus caused in our hearts and lives and give us all grace to endure to the end, and lead us to feel, that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord.

And be it further resolved that this our expression of respect, appreciation, and sympathy, is hereby extended to all, sad hearted, sorrowing, brethren, Sisters, friends and neighbors. To the end that comfort may come to all, and that all may feel to glorify our Father in Heaven.

Signed,

T. W. MITCHELL.

J. E. STEWART.

Memorial Committe.

STATISTICAL TABLE 1928

No.	CHURCHES	MESSENGERS NAMES	Contributions for Minutes	Meeting days	Total Membership	Deceased	Excluded	Dismissed by Letter	Received by Letter	Baptized
1.	Arbor	S. K. Galoway, Andrew Parks and Elder W. D. Bostick	2.00	1 Sun.	170	1				
2.	Buckeye	James Jennings, Sam Ashby, Chas. Johnson, S. W. Flemings	2.00	1 Sun.	99					5
3.	Concord	Ben Dunn, W. J. Landess, Tom Warren, J. W. Cunningham	2.00	3 Sun.	74	3				
4.	Corders X Roads	Not Represented								
5.	Elk River	J. R. Bramlet, W. Willis, W. McKelven	1.50	2 Sun.	129	1				
6.	Flat Creek	G. F. Schoffner, Hugh Parker, J. F. Womack	2.00	4 Sun.	68					1
7.	Mt. Moriah	C. T. Cates and Sisters, Ada Schoffner, Sallie Smith, Ogle Smith	2.00		158	1				1
8.	Mt. Olivet	A. S. Ledford, G. Y. Leadford and J. Greene	2.00	3 Sun.						
9.	Mt. Pisgah	Not Represented								
10.	New Hope	By Letter			20					
11.	Shiloh	W. J. Simmons, W. M. Walker	2.00		24				1	
12.	Union	J. G. Woodfin	1.00	4 Sun.						
13.	Pleasant Grove	Elder A. N. Towery, Howard Fanning, M. J. Quick	2.00	1 Sun.	23	2				1
14.	Grace Chapel	Elders Allie Fanning, J. E. Stewart, W. H. Seagroves	1.75	1 Sun.	36				1	

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2.	Buckeye	James Jennings, Sam Ashby, Chas. Johnson, S. W. Flemings	5				99	1 Sun.	1 Sun.	2.00
3.	Concord	Ben Dunn, W. J. Landess, Tom Warren, J. W. Cunningham					3	74	3 Sun.	2.00
4.	Corders X Roads	Not Represented								
5.	Elk River	J. R. Bramlet, W. Willis, W. McKelven					1	29	2 Sun.	1.50
6.	Flat Creek	G. F. Schoffner, Hugh Parker, J. F. Womack	1				68	4 Sun.	1 Sun.	2.00
7.	Mt. Moriah	C. T. Cates and Sisters, Ada Schoffner, Sallie Smith, Ogle Smith	1				1	58		2.00
8.	Mt. Olivet	A. S. Ledford, G. Y. Leadford and J. Greene							3 Sun.	2.00
9.	Mt. Pisgah	Not Represented								
10.	New Hope	By Letter								
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12.	Union	J. G. Woodfin						24	4 Sun.	1.00
13.	Pleasant Grove	Elder A. N. Towery, Howard Fanning, M. J. Quick					2	23	1 Sun.	2.00
14.	Grace Chapel	Elders Allie Fanning, J. E. Stewart, W. H. Seagroves	7	1	1			36	1 Sun.	1.75

